

## The Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute,

Hampton, Va., Nov 1 1873

Dear Mrs Child,

I thank you for your note of <sup>12</sup>inst communicating the decision of the Trustees of the Osgood bequest. We shall hope that when the final disposition of that fund is made, the claims of Hampton may be considered equal to its needs. Our new building, of which I send you a view in the accompanying circular, is slowly rising. We hope to get it roofed in before winter, but the financial crisis has cut off some of our resources on which we most confidently relied, and we may be disappointed.

You will be interested in the enclosed copy of a newspaper's paragraph. The young lady of color referred to, is a Miss Hazard of Providence, a graduate of the High School there, and a refined & intelligent person, who would grace any society. The rector is an Englishman & free from our national prejudices as to color. It is a significant fact that one

of the leading Critics of Hampton, Col  
Mallory, a Lawyer, whose homestead here  
was sold under Confiscation, he having been  
one of the Signers of the Ordinance of  
Secession, assured the rector of his sup-  
port in the course he took, and offered  
to Miss Hazard a seat in his own pew.  
On a previous occasion, Col M. invited into  
his pew one of our graduates who had  
joined the Episcopal Church, who was  
looking about for a seat in vain,  
when on his entering, a Northern man,  
who was a guest in Col M's pew, (of the  
class termed Carpet baggers by the Southerners)  
rose in disgust & left the pew. When lead-  
ing Citizens in the South begin to take sides on this  
question, there is hope that justice will yet be  
done to the race.

Yours very truly

J. P. Marshall

Mrs. Maria Child  
Waymond.